

SUHR—Henriette Granville,



98, of Mount Kisco, NY, died on March 17, 2015. She was born in Vienna, Austria and spent her early years in Paris where she was graduated from the Parsons School of Art and Design in 1937. She moved to New York in 1941 and began a long career in retail, first at Macy's and then Lord & Taylor. Her groundbreaking work was as the head of Bloomingdales' interior design department where she introduced lavish model rooms, displaying a blend of merchandise from around the world. In the mid-1950s, she and her late husband William Suhr, a renowned art conservator at the Frick Collection, began gardening in Mount Kisco, New York. Together, they created Rocky Hills, one of the leading private gardens in the country, for which Henriette received the Foundation for Landscape Studies' Place Maker award in 2009. The New York Times called Rocky Hills an "eight-acre wonderland" In 2000, it was designated as a preservation project by the Garden Conservancy. Henriette shared the garden through the Conservancy's Open Days program for 21 years. Henriette was honored in 2010 at the President's Forum of the New School as a distinguished Parsons alumna. That same year she received the "Best Green Friend" award from The Friends of Westchester County Parks for her dedication to environmental stewardship.